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SUBJ: SPANISH INFORMED OF NAC BRIEFING

REF: A. STATE 82166 B. STATE 80158

1. POL COUNSELOR INFORMED MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS (PERINAT) MORNING OF APRIL 11 OF BRIEFING GIVEN NAC MEMBERS ON STATUS OF SPANISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS. PERINAT WAS INFORMED IN GENERAL TERMS OF SUBSTANCE OF BRIEFING AS OUTLINED IN TEXT IN REF (B) AND URGED TO BEAR IN MIND THAT THIS INITIATIVE WITH NAC WAS FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE SEEN AS PROPOSAL TO NAC FOR SPECIFIC ACTION ON SPAIN. PERINAT SAID THAT BRIEFING WAS POSITIVE STEP AND "GOOD NEWS" THT FONMIN WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN.

2. PERINAT ASKED SEVERAL QUESTIONS REGARDING REACTION AND ATTITUDES OF OTHER PERM REPS TO BRIEFING, SPECIFICALLY WHAT WAS OUR IMPRESSION OF OVERALL REACTION AND WHAT HAD BEEN ATTITUDE OF BELGIANS, DUTCH AND SCANDINAVIANS. POL COUNSELOR SAID US MISSION HAD CONSIDERED APPROACH OF PERM REPS POSITIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE AND HAD IMPRESSION THAT THEY WOULD GIVE SERIOUS THOUGHT TO ISSUES RAISED. REGARDING ATTITUDE OF SPECIFIC

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PERM REPS, EMBOFF STRESSED THAT BRIEFING SESSION HAD BEEN

INFORMAL WITH INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTATIVES MORE INTERESTED IN SEEKING INFORMATION THAN IN PRESENTING DEFINITE POSITIONS. HE NOTED THAT SCANDINAVIANS HAD NOT BEEN PRESENT AND THAT BELGIANS AND DUTCH, ACCORDING TO AVAILABLE INFORMATION, SEEM TO HAVE SHOWN GENERALLY POSITIVE OUTLOOK IN THE EXCHANGE.

3. PERINAT ALSO ASKED WHETHER US BRIEFER HAD MADE CLEAR REASONS WHY SPAIN INSISTS ON APPROPRIATE RELATIONS WITH NATO AND WHETHER HE HAD POINTED OUT THAT SPAIN NOT THREATENING COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL FROM DEFENSE COOPERATION. WHILE TAKING NOTE OF RISKS INHERENT IN TRYING TO EXPLAIN SOMEONE ELSE'S POLICY, POL COUNSELOR SAID THESE TWO POINTS APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY COVERED.

4. WHEN INFORMED THAT PERM REPS HAD BEEN TOLD US HAD SUGGESTED SPAIN EXPRESS ITS INTEREST IN TIES WITH NATO DIRECTLY TO OTHER ALLIES, PERINAT RESPONDED ENTHUSIASTICALLY THAT GOS HAD ALREADY BEGUN TO MAKE SUCH APPROACHES. HE CONCLUDED BY AGAIN EXPRESSING GRATITUDE FOR NEWS OF BRIEFING, COMMENTING THAT IT WAS "GOOD START".  
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